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AUDITOR PRICE RETIRES AFTER LONG TERM

For Past Thirty-Seven
Years Has Served
City

PRESENTED TO COUNCIL

Lauded For His Faithfulness and Effi-
ciency—Committee to Wait on
Him and Endeavor to Have Him
Reconsider—Effective October 2.

After having served the city of Alexandria as auditor for the past thirty-seven years, City Auditor E. F. Price submitted his resignation to the city council at the regular meeting of that body held yesterday afternoon.

The announcement of his resignation was received with surprise by the members of that body and after he had been lauded by the various members of council for his zeal and faithfulness as a city official, Mayor William A. Smoot appointed a committee consisting of Councilmen Ticer and Bryant to wait on Mr. Price and endeavor to have him reconsider his determination to resign for some time to come.

The letter of Auditor Price submitting his resignation follows:

"The Hon. City Council:

"I respectfully resign the position of City Auditor effective October 2 next. During the last twelve months I have intimated to a few close friends a probable retirement. To myself it was an intention to leave office about December 1 next.

"However, upon mature reflection the conclusion is irrefutable that in so far as this office is concerned, the City Council and City Manager Rich may be better served in the selection of a person younger than myself, and I have no doubt the council will make a wise choice.

"For thirty-seven years I have endeavored to give public matters my best service and every energy that I possessed.

"I shall retire from office with the satisfaction of having believed that the position has been conducted without loss to the city, as I know it has been without profit to myself with much respect and hoping success may be yours, I am,

Very Sincerely, "E. F. Price"

The resignation of Mr. Price was presented council by Mayor Smoot and after it had been read Councilman Fannon moved that action be deferred with the hope of having Mr. Price reconsider. President Smoot stated that no one had prior knowledge of the proposed resignation of Mr. Price. He praised Mr. Price's efficiency as a city official, and he expressed hope that Mr. Price would withdraw his resignation or else remain as auditor for some time to come.

Councilman Ticer expressed surprise at the resignation and said the auditor had rendered him valuable services during the last four years that he served on the finance committee of the old city council. The city he declared would lose a faithful and efficient city officer.

Councilman Bryant declared the resignation of Mr. Price was a shock to him and he said every effort should be made to have him reconsider his determination to resign. He hoped he would either withdraw or defer it.

On July 1 last, Mr. Price celebrated his thirty-seventh year as auditor of the city. On various occasions he has been opposed for the office but always came out with colors flying. His general efficiency always was recognized by the freeholders of the city with a large vote. The fact that he has served thirty-seven consecutive years in an elective office is not only without precedent in the city, but probably in the State of Virginia.

Frees Churchill Of Murder Charge

After deliberating forty-five minutes a jury in the corporation court last night returned a verdict of not guilty in the case of Webster Churchill, colored, indicted for shooting and killing William alias "Dunk" Dade, colored, which occurred July 23 in Muir's Court. Self defense was the plea of the accused. C. W. O'Meara was foreman of the jury. Attorneys Robert Thomas and H. Noel Garner represented the prisoner, and Commonwealth's Attorney Howard W. Smith conducted the prosecution.

Frankfort On Main, Sept. 21.—Edmund Allen, well known American motorless airplane glider, was seriously injured here today when he crashed to earth during a flight.

The plane was completely demolished.

Bible Thought for Today

Fear thou not; for I am with thee; be not dismayed; for I am thy God; I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness.—Isa. 41: 10.

WORK PROGRAM FOR NEW CITY COUNCIL

Twelve Recommendations Made by City Manager Rich—
New Streets and Plan For Speeding Collection
of Garbage Included in Tentative Program

Twelve recommendations are contained in a tentative program of work in the city for the autumn and winter months submitted by City Manager Wilder M. Rich to the city council at its semi-monthly meeting held yesterday afternoon. Some of the urgent recommendations contained in the program were discussed, and in order that there may be no great delay on these matters council will hold an adjourned meeting next Thursday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock for the purpose of considering the program in its entirety and adopting some of the things that are deemed most urgent.

The program provides the following: Complete the paving work as authorized by the old city council; construct three blocks of pavement on West street from King to Princess streets; including concrete walks on the west side of that street; construct cinder sidewalks to the Parker-Gray School; construct a concrete walk on the west side of Washington street from Pendleton street north-wardly and westerly to the overhead bridge at North Washington street extended, a distance of approximately 3,600 feet; install garbage and trash collection system; construct twenty-four inch sewer along the Masonic Temple property on King street extended, and make plans to complete a sewerage system for George Washington Park subdivision obtain plans, specifications and estimates for constructing a trunk sewer in the northeastern section of the city to replace the present sewer which is entirely inadequate and in such condition that it can no longer be repaired; investigate proper locations for playgrounds in various parts of the city with a view to operating at least three during the coming year; audit the city accounts as of September 1, 1922, and install a new budget and accounting system; rearrange the offices in the city hall; plans, specifications and estimates for the installation of a police and fire alarm system; make plans for beautifying the school grounds and obtain estimates of cost of work necessary.

Under an ordinance prepared for the collection and disposition of garbage submitted by City Manager Rich it will be necessary for householders to produce dry garbage which may include combustible materials, cans, glass, in fact, all trash except cinders and ashes which shall be kept separate. All material collected shall be disposed of at one city dump to be located at some point convenient for hauling, at the same time far enough removed from residence in order that any odor will not be objectionable.

All material to be collected by city council shall be kept in covered galvanized iron cans, which shall be placed upon the curb line or in the alleys upon the days designated. The dump shall be attended by one man and worked over in approximately five feet layers. The garbage and trash collection as well as the street cleaning to be under the direct supervision of the city manager. A reporting system will be installed which will provide for following up complaints within two hours after they are received.

The man in charge of this work will be provided with an automobile equipped with a small delivery body. It is proposed to purchase seven light weight one horse carts and preferably seven mules. Each cart is to be attended by one man only. It is proposed to divide the city into five districts and collect garbage twice a week. The collection of ashes and trash will be made once a week and it is thought that two cars will be able to do the work. The installation of this system will be determined upon at the meeting Thursday.

Robert S. Jones was nominated as mayor pro tem or vice chairman of the city council, his nomination being made by Councilman Bryant and his election was unanimous.

Purvis Taylor, secretary to City Manager Wilder M. Rich was elected clerk at the council, he being nominated by Councilman Robert S. Jones.

A resolution abolishing all boards existing prior to September 1 with the exception of the city school board and sink fund commissioners was adopted. The city manager hereafter will look after the matters they had under their control.

Ordinance presented by the chamber of commerce that all persons engaged in moving household goods other than baggage resort same to the chief of police within twenty-four hours after so doing and that a record be kept at police headquarters and making its violation punishable by the imposition of a fine of from \$10 to \$25 was laid over on motion of Councilman Fannon.

The bid of Charles N. Goodno, Raleigh, N. C. of \$20 a day to audit the accounts of the city as of September 1 and installing an accounting system was adopted.

The new accounting system will also be installed to record a budget system and a provision for distribution of expenditures. There were five bidders including the successful one.

Resolution appropriating \$9,000 for increasing the width of Franklin street from Alfred to Patrick streets

from nineteen to forty feet was deferred.

Permission was granted the civic bureau of the chamber of commerce, upon application of Capt. George H. Evans, business manager, to place two bronze tablets on the city hall building to commemorate certain historical events that occurred at these places. Rules and regulations for the city council were adopted and council also adopted an ordinance defining the powers and duties of the city manager. Its provisions follow:

The City Manager shall be responsible to the Council for the efficient administration of all administrative and executive affairs of the city. He shall have power and it shall be his duty:

To see that all laws and ordinances are enforced. Except as otherwise provided by law, to appoint all heads or directors of departments, and all subordinate officers and employees of the city, with the power to discipline and remove any officer or employee so appointed; and he shall report each appointment or removal to the council at the next regular meeting following such appointment or removal.

To exercise supervision and control over all departments and divisions created, or that may be hereafter created by the council.

To attend all regular meetings of the council with the right to take part in the discussion, but having no vote. He shall be entitled to notice of all special meetings.

To recommend to the Council for adoption such measures as he may deem necessary or expedient.

To see that all terms and conditions imposed in favor of the city, or its inhabitants, in any public utility franchise, are faithfully kept and performed.

To make and execute all contracts on behalf of the city without special authority of the City Council, with the following exception: When an expenditure, other than the compensation of persons employed by the city, exceeds five hundred dollars, such expenditure shall first be authorized and directed by ordinance or resolution of the Council and no contract of such sum shall be made or executed without the approval of the City Manager and the Council, and upon competitive bidding.

To act as budget commissioner, and as such to prepare and submit to the council the Annual Budget.

To keep the council at all times fully advised as to the financial condition and needs of the city.

To perform all such other duties as may be required by law or as required of him by ordinance or resolution of the Council.

On the recommendation of Councilman Bryant the city manager was instructed to confer with the chairman of the city school board relative to opening two football fields at the High School and placing football poles at Parker-Gray School.

The meeting lasted exactly three hours. It was the second meeting of that body. Considerable of the time was taken up in an important discussion of the various recommendations on the work program submitted by the city manager.

HUGHES IS ON HOMEWARD TRIP

Secretary of State Aboard
U. S. S. Maryland in
Rough Water

Maryland is Out to Break Record for
New York-Rio de Janeiro Run—
Despite Heavy Weather Keeps
Good Lead.

(By United Press.)
On Board U. S. S. Maryland, Sept. 22.—Tearing through mountainous seas that at times broke over the vessel from forecastle to quarterdeck, the U. S. S. Maryland, bearing Secretary of State Hughes, today kept up its record breaking run from Rio de Janeiro to New York.

For the day ending at noon Thursday the Maryland covered 440 miles. It was then 3,900 miles from Rio, and had maintained an average speed of 18.48 knots per hour.

The Maryland passed Bermuda at 10 p. m. Thursday, in heavy weather. Everybody aboard, from Secretary Hughes down is pulling for the Maryland to beat the record for the Rio-New York run, now held by the liner American Legion which did the distance in 10 days 22 hours.

The giant battleship, seeming almost to partake of the spirit of the race against time, ploughed through the big seas at a steady pace. Tremendous waves, piled up by a strong gale flung tons of water over the battleship. Everybody was forced to remain below deck, where the time was spent in figuring out the chances of beating the record in spite of the bad weather.

WORK OF 67TH CONGRESS HAS BEEN WEIGHTY

Congressmen Act As School
Boys Before Vac-
cation

SUMMARY OF WORK

Many Important Measures Have Be-
come Laws—This Congress Has
Outstripped Its Predecessors in
Legislation For Benefit of Farmers

Washington, Sept. 22.—The gavel falls this afternoon on the second session of the 67th congress.

Unless there is a last minute hitch, sine die adjournment will come shortly after two o'clock. Many senators and congressmen already have left for their homes. Those who remained as a clean up squad will clear out tonight and by tomorrow the wheels of the nation's law-making mill will be at a dead stop after running continuously for nearly 18 months.

In the house, the handful of members who showed up on the floor today acted like school boys on the eve of the summer vacation.

The present congress has been on the job almost continuously since the Harding administration took hold March 1921. Upon the record made that time, presenting an exceptionally varied assortment of issues, senators and congressmen will seek new leases on political life in Washington this fall.

Following is a summary of the most important acts of the 67th congress to date:

Ratification of the seven treaties growing out of the Washington conference on limitation of armaments, and the subsequent trimming of the navy to the 5-5-3 ratio.

Enactment of the Fordney emergency tariff and the Fordney-McCumber permanent protective tariff.

Creation of the refunding commission now at work negotiating for

MANY WILL GO TO FAIRFAX ON THURSDAY

Alexandria Day Will be At-
tended By Many Local
People

100 CARS EXPECTED

Chamber of Commerce Actively En-
gaged in Promoting Celebration at
Fairfax Fair Thursday, September
28.—W.-Va. Will Run Special Cars.

Alexandrians have come to the front and have expressed their intention of having a full representation there when Alexandria Day is observed at the Fairfax County Fair next Thursday, September 28.

Between seventy-five and a hundred automobiles belonging to Alexandrians will leave early Thursday morning to spend the day in communion with their neighbors of the county. Merchants have "come-across" handsomely in their co-operation with the chamber of commerce in its effort to make the observance of this day a success.

The movement has been instituted so that Alexandrians may become better acquainted with the people of Fairfax who make up a large portion of the patronage of the Alexandria stores.

J. T. Preston, secretary of the local chamber of commerce, who is personally conducting plans for this celebration is very enthusiastic over promises the affair gives of complete success and says that he believes this will be another of those great strides toward the goal of "Greater Alexandria."

Mr. Preston is also very much pleased with the manner in which the local business establishments are coming to the front and offering their cars to transport those who may care to attend the fair.

Those who have to date made state-ments that they will be in the procession with cars when it pulls out of Alexandria next Thursday morning are:

W. A. Smoot and Company, H. Kirk and Sons, F. S. Harper, Herbert Bryant's Son's, H. R. Steel, Rammel Manufacturing Company, Southern Heating and Plumbing Company, W. A. Barnett, W. H. May and Son, Bendhams, Burke and Herbert, H. W. Wade, Worth Hulfish and Sons. The Alexandria Gazette, Idle Hour Theatre, Jacob Rose, Alexandria Na-

GUNS KEPT READY; GUARD "DEAD-LINE"

Turks Are Concentrating on "Dead-Line" as Drawn by
British—Jugo Slavia Troops Also Gather—
British Drawn up in 3 Sections

(By United Press.)
Constantinople, Sept. 22.—Aircraft attacks on a large scale probably will mark outbreak of actual hostilities between the British and Turks.

With the Turks reported bring up heavy artillery, and hurrying their shock troops from Smyrna toward the new front, the British have assembled powerful aircraft squadrons behind their lines and are ready to loose them the minute Mustafa Kemal's forces cross the "dead line"—the border of the neutral zone, violation of which means war. Tanks, armored cars and other fighting machines developed in the world war are being rushed to the near east.

The Moslems are assembled in great strength along the "dead line" according to reports filtering back. But the British troops, backed by the guns of the fleet are ready for any eventuality.

Constantinople, Sept. 22.—With the British and Turks already facing each other in the Dardanelles "war theater" Jugo Slavia today started concentrations of her forces on the Bulgarian border, according to word received here. The Jugo-Slav concentration on the frontier, it was stated, was prompted by the fear that the Russian Soviet army would march Bulgaria to the aid of Mustafa Kemal, leader of the Turkish nationalists, and invade the Balkan states the Turks desire to reconquer.

Greek and Turkish subjects in Constantinople and cities of the neutral zone were mobilized by the authorities today to prevent clashes.

The British strength has been placed in three sectors as follows:

1.—At Chanak, the key city at the narrowest part of the Dardanelles. The Turks must take this position before they can force a crossing of the straits. Strong British detachments are entrenched there, and behind them lies a long line of destroyers ready to give the soldiers artillery support.

2.—At the Ismid peninsula. This peninsula, about 30 miles wide, is the main means of approach by land to the Bosphorus and Constantinople. The British have entrenched themselves at many strategic points in the hills which cover the peninsula, and the heavy guns of the warships protecting their flanks can drop huge shells anywhere within a range of 20 miles. The Railroad from the town of Ismid, where Mustafa Kemal has headquarters, toward Constantinople runs along the coast. It is paralleled by the main highway. Both are under the guns of the British fleet.

3.—In Constantinople. Here the British are prepared to put down any uprising by the use of machine guns. Strong detachments of troops are being kept in the city to cope with any troubles behind the lines.

Churches Take Part
Washington, Sept. 22.—Mass meetings at which the government will be urged to "accept its share of the moral responsibility" of halting massacres of Christians in the Near-East will be held the coming week throughout the country under the auspices of the Federal Council of Churches, it was announced today.

The Council, representing 20,000,000 church members, today sent out a call for a day of prayer and intercession on Sunday in all churches in behalf of Near East Christians.

On the same day the first of the mass meetings will be held in New York, in the Cathedral of St. Johns the Divine, Dr. John H. Finley, chairman of the Council's commission on

tional Bank, W. F. Crofton, Sam Rosenberg, C. W. Howell, Bernheimer and Company, Wise and Company, M. W. Gaines, L. Levinson, Downham and Ridgely, Swan Brothers, Sol Cohen, Alexandria Amusement Company, Belle Haven Garage, Lindsey-Nicholson Corporation, J. and H. Aitchison, George H. Robinson's Sons, C. F. Coffey, W. T. Farley, J. Kent White, L. Shuman, Piggy Wiggly, Alexandria Light and Power Company, Weil Brothers, Citizens' National Bank, First National Bank, C. F. Holden Company, Graham and Orden, Ruben Furniture Store, R. E. Knight and Son, Rexall Drug Store, Saunders and Son, The Leader, F. Michelbach, Heon and Constantinople, M. E. Parker and Brother, S. Gerber, Fletcher Motor Company, Premier Cleaners, Washington and Ladd, Gibson Drug Store, Nelson T. Snyder and Company, Monticello Hotel, Swift and Company, Armour and Company, Alexandria Fertilizer and Chemical Company, A. L. Cohen, George H. Railing and Lips Lush.

In addition to the above, many others are expected to report their intention of going in the course of the next few days. All members of the Chamber of Commerce who have not made known their intention of going and who wish to make the trip are asked to notify Secretary Preston at chamber of commerce headquarters as soon as possible.

In addition to the cars which will leave at a time to be made known later, arrangements have been made with the Washington-Virginia Railway Company for the use of special cars which will make the trip to Fairfax at a special rate to take care of the general public.

MASONS BACK FROM DETROIT CEREMONIES

Priceless Relics of Alexan-
dria-Washington Lodge
Were Used

SPEECH BY CALLAHAN

Local Delegation Report Big Demon-
stration Given When Relics Were
Exhibited at Lying of Cornerstone
of \$5,000,000 Temple.

The delegation of Alexandria Masons which attended the laying of the cornerstone of the Masonic Temple in Detroit, Mich., which took place Monday afternoon, returned home today bringing back their priceless relics which were used in connection with the cornerstone laying. These consisted of The Bible, trowel, apron and square used in laying the cornerstone of the capital in 1793 by Alexandria-Washington Lodge of Masons.

The delegation that carried the relics consisted of Charles H. Callahan, representing the worshipful master of Alexandria-Washington Lodge and deputy grand master of the Grand Lodge of Virginia; J. Edward Shinn, A. C. Moss, R. M. Schooley and George W. Zachary, the last named being tiler of the local lodge in whose possession the relics were from the time they left the lodge room until their return.

The Alexandria delegates were given a big ovation in Detroit and the relics were the cynosure of all eyes as they were used in the work of laying the cornerstone of the \$5,000,000 Masonic Temple for the Masons of Detroit which will be the largest Masonic Temple in the United States.

The ceremony was attended by 40,000, and it is estimated 200,000 persons witnessed the big parade held in connection with the affair.

C. W. McKenzie, grand master, assisted by Edwin Denby, Secretary of the Navy, who represented President Harding, were in charge of the ceremony.

At the banquet which followed among the speakers were Charles H. Callahan of this city. Others included Secretary of Navy Denby who also was toastmaster. Mr. Neufy, grand master of the Grand Encampment, Knights Templar of the United States, Rev. Dr. J. Ford Newton, of New York.

The Alexandrians had a special committee to entertain them, consisting of Jesse D. Stoddard, Frank E. Fisher, William Vansickle, Lewis G. Gorton and George D. Mason.

The automobile used by the Alexandrians which conveyed the priceless relics during the parade, and after it was over was guarded by four motorcycle policemen throughout the proceedings.

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ASKING HOW TARIFF WORKS

Foreign Government Great-
ly Concerned as to
New Law

(By United Press.)
Washington, Sept. 22.—With the tariff bill a law, government officials today were swamped under inquiries and complaints from foreign governments concerning its operations.

The state department it became known, has turned over to the senate foreign relations committee a mass of these inquiries and complaints as to the operation of the act which went into effect last midnight.

The committee probably will not take them up until the special session of congress in November, it was indicated. By that time the law will have begun to operate so that both at home and abroad it will be more nearly apparent how it is going to affect trade, and it will then be possible for the committee to handle the foreign inquiries more intelligently, it was stated.

A flood of amendments to the new tariff was in the making today. When the special session meets in November demands will be made to change a score or more of the act's important provisions. Indications were that the effort to obtain a dye embargo would be renewed, while changes in the duties on many commodities were to be asked by house and senate members who were unsuccessful in impressing their views on the two houses when the bill was being enacted.

Democrats and anti tariff republicans have established a watch upon the act's operation. The first indication that it is causing increased living costs, or is affecting foreign commerce adversely will be the signal for attacks upon it. The Democrats, who have predicted economic disaster as a result of the bill's provisions, will keep their campaign speakers this fall informed on developments, if any occur, which can be laid at the door of the tariff, so that this material may be used against Republican congressional candidates.

Seeks To Recover \$5,000 For Alleged Injuries

The suit of Andrew Zell against
the Southern Railway Company to
recover damages in the sum of \$5,000
for injuries alleged to have been sus-
tained while employed by the defend-
ent company as a machinist's helper,
is slated to be heard before a special
jury in the corporation court Monday
beginning at 10 o'clock. Zell claims
he was injured due to alleged negli-

Services Tonight

Services will be held at the syna-
gogue on North Washington street at
7:30 o'clock tonight in observance of
Rosh Hashonah or the New Year
5683 which begins at sunset. They
will be conducted by Rabbi Fried,
of Cincinnati. Services also will be held
at the Synagogue at 10 o'clock to-
morrow morning.

Stores of the Hebrew of this city
will close at 6 o'clock this evening
and will not reopen until 6 o'clock to-
morrow evening. The orthodox Jews
will close at the same hour but will
not reopen until 6 o'clock Monday
evening.

gence of the defendant corporation
on January 5 last.

The plaintiff is represented by At-
torneys Duval and Bladen.

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